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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Shoichi KOYAMA, et al.) Examiner: Robert B. Beatty
Application No.: 10/664,888) Group Art Unit: 2852
Filed: September 22, 2003) Confirmation No.: 4258
For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS,) November 18, 2005
CONTROL METHOD FOR IMAGE)
FORMING APPARATUS,)
DEVELOPING APPARATUS, AND)
MEMORY MEDIUM)

Commissioner for Patents
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d)

Sir:

Applicants have received an Official Action, dated September 21, 2005, and are in the process of formulating a response, which is due on December 21, 2005, without an extension, in the above-identified application. In the interim, this Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted to ensure that it is in the file when the Examiner takes up the application for action.

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the patent documents listed on the enclosed citation Form PTO-1449. The patent documents were recently cited in the enclosed Search Report in a foreign counterpart application, which is dated August 29, 2005. A copy of the cited patent documents and the Search Report also are enclosed.

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Also enclosed is a check for the required fee of \$180.00 to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)(2).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in or credit any overpayment of this fee to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

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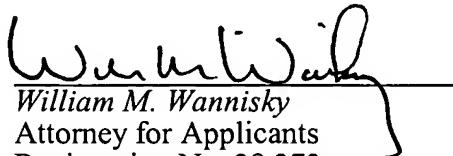
It is respectfully requested that the cited patent documents be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed citation Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such patent document has been considered.

It is earnestly believed that all requirements for consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement have been satisfied.

Favorable consideration hereof is earnestly solicited.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our New York office at the address given below.

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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES/NO/ OR ABSTRACT
		10-239980	09/11/98	Japan			Abstract
		2000-181214	06/30/00	Japan			Abstract

OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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